

NW KMEA BAND DIRECTOR'S MEETING
December 7, 2013

Renette Dawson –High school Band chair called the meeting to order.

- I. Talked about instruments that auditioned.
 - A. Need more bari saxes
 - B. No bassoons at all auditioned.
 - C. Need to address situation regarding all percussion material needs to be on same CD.
 - D. Northwest District requires two different percussion instruments for auditions.
 - E. Northwest District has original copies of all the audition music for District and state honor band.
- II. Renetta introduced the state KMEA president Avian Bear.
- III. Bill Schick-Advocacy chair
 - A. If you have any questions feel free to contact him.
 - B. He urged everyone to fill out the state survey. The new survey is for everyone to fill out not just a few in the district.
- IV. Marcus Bishop-junior high band chair gave his report
 - A. No bassoons auditioned
 - B. There were issues with the postal service trouble. It took over four days to get the audition tapes out to judges. Marcus said he visited with Troy-webmaster to possible send auditions on website.
 - C. North Central District-uses paper auditions.
 - D. Some Districts do live junior high auditions.
 - E. The biggest issues at the convention was to get students to watch the director
 - F. Marcus asked if PDF copies were helpful. He said there were some hardware issues but took care of it.

- V. Dr. Jordan –mentoring chair
 - A. Kevin Pham is working with the percussion section. Also if any college band students can be of help to your individual bands please let him know.
 - B. Also let him know if any new teacher needs a mentor or are in need of help.
- VI. Vesta Jo Still-District President went over the list of four year band participants.
 - A. She also stated due to the icy weather that the T-shirt People were stuck in Oklahoma. The company will sent out information and parents can go online and order plaques and t-shirts. The company will pay shipping charges.
 - B. Vesta Jo also asked everyone if they received the postcard mailed out at the beginning of the year with all the deadline dates. Some people stated they had not received the cards. She said she sent them directly to the directors if she knew who they were. If she did not know who the directors were she sent them to the school.
 - C. Deadline for State Band is all online.
- VII. Renetta announced that the orchestra would move to Beach Schmidt Auditorium at 9:30 to practice.
- VIII. Quenana Liggett-Lincoln-KBA rep.
Stated KBA is talking about sponsoring a marching band competition. If interested contact her or the KBA president.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
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